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Ontario Energy Board
By electronic filing and e-mail

Attn: Christine E. Long, Registrar and Board Secretary

Dear Ms Long:

Re: EB-2021-0002, EGI 2023-27 DSM - GEC Submission on Evidence Filing Deadline

The Board has received a request from Mr. Elson concerning the filing date for intervenor evidence in this matter as well as several letters from Enbridge and other intervenors addressing the matter. We write to point out the following additional facts that may inform the Board's consideration of the request and that have not been addressed in prior correspondence.

November 25<sup>th</sup> is the date of U.S. Thanksgiving. GEC's experts are U.S. based. Accordingly, a draft must be finished on the 23<sup>rd</sup> to allow counsel to review draft evidence and have experts provide revisions on the 24<sup>th</sup>. Assuming Enbridge files its responses late on the 15<sup>th</sup>, there will be only 6 working days available for the experts to digest hundreds of responses and provide a draft of evidence to counsel.

It is quite inefficient for experts to get too far into drafting reports prior to receiving responses as so much of the detail resides in the responses.

Accordingly, we support Mr. Elson's request and appreciate the Board's consideration thereof.

Sincerely,

Cc: All parties